

LITERATURE.

REVIEW OF NEW BOOKS.

Claxton, Renssen & Haffelinger send us the following of Lee & Shepard's new publications:—

"The Sunset Land; or, The Great Pacific Slope," by Rev. John Todd, D. D. This is the gentleman, we believe, who was so effectively used up a few years ago by Gail Hamilton because of an indiscreet publication on the subject of woman's rights. Mr. Todd before that time was known principally as the author of several religious books for children, and if he had kept strictly to that line of authorship he might have achieved a modest renown without subjecting himself to disparaging criticism. He trespassed upon forbidden ground, however, and came to grief in consequence. Since then we have heard nothing of him, but it seems that Gail Hamilton's biting sarcasms drove him across the continent, and now he appears as an explorer of the Pacific slope. The book gives quite an entertaining and readable description of the western edge of the continent. It is written in a rather gushing style, and the observations which the author occasionally lets fall are not always the most profound. To many persons, however, it will be more entertaining than a work of greater elaboration.

"The Boy Farmers" is the fourth of the "Elm Island Stories," by Rev. Elijah Kellogg, and it gives a continuation of the adventures of Lion Ben, Fred Williams, Charles, and John. The story is written in attractive style, and it will please a multitude of boy readers.

"The Young Detective," by Rosa Abbott, is the fifth of the "Rosa Abbott" series, and like its predecessors, it has a good moral purpose in showing, under the guise of an entertaining fiction, how virtue is its own reward.

From Alfred Martion we have received "John Ploughman's Talk," by Rev. C. H. Sprague. This is a series of plain talks for plain people, and the author has endeavored to express himself in plain and homely language. He says truly, "That I have written in a semi-humorous vein needs no apology, if thereby sound moral teaching wins a hearing from the million. There is no particular virtue in being seriously unreadable." These little essays will be found to be very readable by many besides those of the particular classes to whom they are more especially addressed, and we commend them as giving good advice on many topics in a pleasant and straightforward way.

James K. Simon sends us "The Workman's Way to Wealth," by Edmund Wrigley. This is a practical treatise on Building Associations, which endeavors to explain in a clear and intelligible manner their proper organization and management under the existing laws of Pennsylvania. The work contains many useful hints, although it will be well for workmen not to be deluded by the title-page into imagining that a short and easy road to riches has been discovered.

From J. B. Lippincott & Co. we have received the November number of Good Words for the Young. This is a reprint in fac-simile of the English edition of this deservedly popular juvenile magazine, and it will hereafter be regularly issued by Lippincott's. The editorship of this periodical has been transferred by Dr. Norman Macleod to George MacDonald, LL. D., the author of "Alice Forbes," "Annals of a Quiet Neighborhood," etc., and it has upon its staff some of the most popular English writers of the day. The November number, which commences a new volume, presents a very attractive list of contents, and the illustrations are up to a high mark of excellence. Good Words for the Young may be described as a juvenile supplement to Good Words, the editorship of which is still in the hands of Dr. Macleod. It is one of the best magazines for young people published, and it ought to have an extensive circulation in the United States.

Turner, Brothers & Co. send us Appleton's Journal for November 13.

Messrs. Parmelee & Co. send us the prospectus and specimen pages of a new work by Olive Logan, "actress, lecturer, and author."

The title is "Before the Footlights and Behind the Scenes," and its merits are set forth in the following style:—

"It embraces in its scope the whole range of the opera, theatre, lecture, concert, minstrelsy, circus, caravan, fairs, museum, jugglery, pantomime, side-show, street-scenes, serious and comic, humorous and comic, and, in word, the entire show business, in its most comprehensive sense, or everything which includes an admission fee, an audience, and a performance.

"The secrets of the green-room, the dressing-room, in all of their heterogeneous variety, are fully discussed. All the clap-net, the gauze and the tinsel, the feathers and the paint, the fireworks and pastebord hams, the pads and the wig, the burnt cork and benzoin gloves, are shown up in their true light, with microscopic vividness.

"It tells how the parts are assigned, rehearsals conducted, ugly forms made beautiful, and beautiful forms made ugly. How old age is turned to youth, and children seduced to the stage. How American and foreign theatres are conducted, from claqueurs to managers. It contrasts the indecencies of the modern drama with the old-time stage.

"The mimic stage, en deshabille, is displayed in the blinding light of the sun, revealing the ludicrous blunders and stupid ignorance of stars and supes, their piques, jealousies, and quarrels, their shams and frailties, which are so carefully concealed by the profession, while humanity in search of amusement and instruction, with its Gorgon eyes as an audience, is portrayed as seen through the eyes of the performer.

"The work is a scathing onslaught on the indecencies and immorality of the playhouse. It strips aside the veil which professional etiquette throws around stage life, and shows the reality, stripped of all glamour; thus giving information of a subject of which less is known, and in which there is more interest taken by the people, than in almost any other now before the public.

It will be seen from the above that Olive is on the war-path again, and that this time she proposes to give a thorough exposition of her favorite theme. The theatrical people will have reason to tremble, because it is well known that retired actors and actresses are the most ferocious critics, and that they take a particular pleasure in showing up the fol-

lies of their profession. This book proposes to make clean work and to go through the "show" business from beginning to end, laying bare to the public all its mysteries and secret wickednesses, about which Miss Logan will discourse with all the enthusiasm of one who has a thorough knowledge of the subject. In looking through the table of contents we see nothing about Miss Logan's reasons for leaving the stage. This is a point that there is some curiosity about, and we hope that a satisfactory explanation will be given.

NEWS SUMMARY.

City Affairs.—The Convention of Reform Jewish Rabbis now sitting at the residence of the Rev. Dr. Hirsch, pastor of the Jewish Temple in this city, has met for the purpose of considering the propriety of retaining, modifying, or abolishing many of the Levitical, traditional, and ceremonial laws, the preservation of which forms the distinctive mark of Orthodox Judaism. The following are the basis of some of the resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:—That the aim of modern Judaism is the future restoration of the Jewish nation under a Messiah who shall be a descendant of David; that the use of the Hebrew language, as the language of prayer, shall be discontinued; that there are no grounds for the belief in the bodily resurrection; that the present dispersed condition of the Jewish race is not a consequence of national sin, but is a fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham to make his people a kingdom of priests; that the priesthood and the Levitical sacrifices are only preparatory steps to Israel's national priesthood, and that consequently the religious distinction between them and the people should not be retained either in religious or private life. Besides the passage of these resolutions, matters concerning the marriage relation, synagogal worship, religious education, the Sabbath of the Jews, circumcision, etc., were discussed.

City Councils.—The City Councils, to settle on candidates for officers of Councils, was held yesterday afternoon. All the present officials were selected, with the exception of the president of Select Council. Mr. Samuel W. Cattell's name being substituted for the present president, Wm. M. Stokley, Esq. The names selected for the directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad were Wm. Asupch, Lewis Elkin, and G. Morrison Coates.

Domestic Affairs.—Gold closed yesterday at 126 1/2.

At last the new City Hall imbroglio in Baltimore is settled.

The internal revenue receipts yesterday amounted to \$750,000.

Two young men were killed at the Georgia State Fair yesterday.

Yellow Jack is again in New York harbor, on board a Havana steamer.

The New York Grand Jury are still engaged in investigating the late gold raid.

A deputy collector of internal revenue at Oakland, Cal., is reported as having absconded, a defaulter to a small amount.

General Cowen, of Ohio, has been asked by Commissioner Delano to proceed to California to aid in investigating its revenue affairs.

Minister Low had an interview with the President and the Secretary of State yesterday, relative to the affairs of the China mission.

Congress is to be asked by the New York Chamber of Commerce to establish another line of steamers between San Francisco and Japan.

Father Hyacinthe, it is said, brought with him letters from two French Protestant clergymen, speaking of him as in close communion with them, and as taking the noble position of Luther.

A large delegation from England will be present at the Evangelical Alliance Convention, to be held in New York next fall. All the leading members of the Alliance express hearty sympathy with the movement.

Policeman George Scullates, charged with killing a soldier, and turned over to the military authorities, has applied for counsel for a writ of habeas corpus, which was refused. There is much excitement over the case in Norfolk.

Foreign Affairs.—The St. Domingo revolutionists continue inactive.

Rumors in St. Domingo of its sale to the United States are gaining strength.

General Chevalier, President Salvaer's Secretary of War, was compelled to raise the siege of Jaemel in order to check the revolutionary advance on Port-au-Prince.

The Malatman rebels have suffered another severe defeat.

Athens is at present being visited by the Emperor Austria and the King of Italy.

Two priests, returning from a land meeting at Cavan, Ireland, were set upon by Orangemen, and so brutally beaten that one has died from his injuries.

City Councils.—Both branches of the City Government held their regular stated meetings yesterday afternoon.

Select Branch.—President Stokley was in the chair.

An unusually voluminous batch of petitions and communications were received. They asked for almost everything, beginning with facilities for paving and grading, and winding up with applications for fresh lamp-posts and new turnouts upon passenger railways.

Over 100 acres of property at the taxes derived from meadow lands in the First, Twenty-sixth, and Twenty-seventh wards should in part be devoted to the construction of a permanent embankment, to protect it and contiguous property from the overflow of the Schuylkill. This was debated at some length, and then referred.

Mr. Jones, of the Committee on Law, made a report, negatively recommending the application of Messrs. Jenkins & Taylor for an allowance in addition to the terms of contract for the paving of North Broad street. This was passed.

The parties accepted as payment for their work assessment bills against the properties fronting the street. The Supreme Court decided these claims to be void, the application to the city yesterday was for indemnity for the risk.—Rep.

A resolution permitting the construction of a turnout leading to the warehouse of John J. Michener, Sec. of the property of sugar-cured hams, on the North Pennsylvania Railroad, on Front street, below Poplar, was passed without dissent.

Mr. Marcus offered a resolution to lay water pipe in Delaware avenue, below South street. It was passed.

A resolution to open and grade Sixty-fourth street, from Vine to Haverford road, was also passed.

A message was received from the Mayor. His Honor's committee, a bill providing for the execution of certain leases from the Girard estate.

The bill was finally passed over the veto of the Mayor.

The bill to sell a portion of the Almshouse property to the University of Pennsylvania was renewed, discussed at length, and then postponed for two weeks.

By a vote of 11 yeas to 17 nays, the Chamber refused to take a vote on the message of the Mayor vetoing the ordinance approving the articles of the City Commissioner, Receiver of Taxes, City Controller, declared to be the proper holders of those positions by the District Court instead of the gentlemen now holding them by the force of fraudulent votes.

Mr. McCutcheon called for a second reading of the bill appropriating \$500 to repair the school-house at Hart last week.

Mr. Hooley objected. The entire building, he argued, was worth less than that sum. It is entirely unfit for a schoolhouse. To spend money upon such a rattle-trap structure, he thought, was like pouring water down a rathole.

Mr. Smith assented. The idea of spending five hundred dollars on a two hundred dollar school-building was, in his opinion, a piece of both.

Mr. Calloway failed to pass.

The hackney-coach regulation bill was taken up, debated, and recommitted.

Adjourned.

Common Branch.—This branch met at the usual hour. President Louis Wagner in the chair.

A communication from the Board of Guardians of the Poor was received, asking for a special appropriation of \$13,272 for the curbing, paving, etc., on their property on the line of Wood and North Second streets.

Also, one from Mr. Barger, stating that a suit against the city had been commenced in the Supreme Court by the Schuylkill Navigation Company. Referred.

Proprietor's petitions were received and appropriately referred.

Mr. Evans offered a resolution inquiring into the cause of the obstructions of the water course of the Schuylkill by the occupants of Vine street wharf. Agreed to.

Mr. Calloway moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of electing a trustee for the Gas-works, to fill the unexpired term of Alexander J. Harper, deceased. Agreed to.

Mr. Albert Roberts was nominated and elected unanimously.

The bill which was pending at the adjournment last week was taken up. The bill was for an extra appropriation for supplying the city with water. Agreed to.

Mr. Evans moved to suspend the rules and recommit the bill for the paying of the old contractors for cleaning the streets. The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Hetzel moved to lay the subject on the table. Motion lost.

Mr. Nickels moved to indefinitely postpone. Agreed to.

A number of bills from Select Council were taken up.

One from his Honor the Mayor, refusing to sign the leases for the Girard estate, which Select Council passed, notwithstanding his veto.

Mr. Dillon moved to postpone till next Thursday.

The yeas and nays were called, and stood yeas 6, nays 38. On the question, shall the bill pass, the yeas were 38, nays 4, and the bill passed.

Also, a resolution, on Committee on Finance, presented an ordinance making certain transfers in the appropriation to the Receiver of Taxes. Agreed to.

Also, one making certain transfers in the appropriation to the Department of Law. Agreed to.

Also, an ordinance making an appropriation of \$473 for the indexing of the records of the Orphans' Court. Agreed to.

Also, an ordinance to pay Montgomery county certain road damages. Agreed to.

Also, a resolution to make certain transfers in the appropriation to the City Commissioner. Agreed to.

Also, a resolution to discharge the Committee on Finance from the consideration of the application of the assessors for an increase of salary. Agreed to.

Mr. Ray, of the Committee on Highways, presented a resolution authorizing the paving of certain streets. Agreed to.

Also, one to tramway Ferry street, in the Twelfth ward.

Also, one to pave the sidewalks on Kensington avenue.

The following bills were agreed to:—For the paving of North and other streets; for the paving of Thirty-first and other streets; for the grading and paving of sidewalks for Forty-first and other streets in the Twenty-fourth ward; for the opening of Thirty-sixth street, in the Twenty-fourth ward; for the paving of Orthodox and other streets; authorizing the laying of the Miller wooden pavement on Green street.

Mr. Myers, of Committee on Police, presented a resolution granting permission to certain Philadelphia police to leave the city.

Mr. Shane, of Committee on Trusts and Fire, presented an ordinance making an appropriation of \$500 to Superintendent of Fire and Trusts. Agreed to.

Mr. Bardeley, of Committee on Survey, presented an ordinance authorizing the construction of sewers on Sanson, Eleventh, Twenty-fifth and other streets. Agreed to.

Mr. Hanna, of the Committee on Law, presented a report of the law relative to the running of the cars of the West Chester Railroad to pass the First and Second streets, to include gages in the Twenty-second ward. Agreed to.

Mr. Myers, of the Committee on Police, presented a report, with an ordinance, making it unlawful for the cars of the West Chester Railroad to pass the First and Second streets, unless they ring the bell. Recommended to the committee.

Mr. Hanna presented an ordinance for paving Cherry street, from Twenty-third street to the river Schuylkill. Referred.

Also, an ordinance for the election and extension of the term of office of the heads of municipal departments.

On a motion to indefinitely postpone the yeas and nays were called, and no quorum answering, the Chamber adjourned.

large amount of paper, such as is used by the Government in the manufacture of revenue stamps, a large quantity of licks, oils, and other materials used in counterfeiting dies for making three cent silver pieces, steel dies for stamping coins, etc., were found, but no plates or finished work.

Finally, Ripon divulged the fact that the plates, etc., were buried in his garden, and a box was dug up, which contained a plate on which had been transferred the one cent revenue stamp, the licks and oils, and a large number of stamps, thousands of printed sheets, and other articles. The prisoners and material were brought to this city, and the forgers taken to the United States Marshal's office, where they were held in custody.

It was now necessary to employ an engraver named Carpenter, having an office at No. 11 Bloomfield street, Boston, had been employed to engrave United States 5-20 bonds for this gang. Whately dispatched two men to Boston on Monday evening, and their arrival they called to the assistance Wood and Heath, detectives of that city. On Tuesday morning the four entered Carpenter's establishment and arrested him while employed in engraving a pass on the Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad. Immediately after his arrest, he surrendered to the officers a \$1000 5-20 bond, which he had been employed to engrave by a man in this city who was in the last stage of consumption.

It is believed that several hundred thousand dollars in these stamps have been put in circulation, and it is alleged that numerous other prominent persons in this city are under surveillance, whose arrest sufficient evidence has not yet been obtained to warrant.

PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE.

WILLIAM W. PAUL, Chairman. COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH. H. C. BUTCHER, Chairman. COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH. J. O. KINGS, Chairman. COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

FOR AMERICA. Pennsylvania, Liverpool, New York, Oct. 23. Paragon, London, New York, Oct. 23. City of Boston, Liverpool, New York, via Hal., Oct. 23.

FOR EUROPE. City of Paris, New York, Liverpool, Nov. 6. Celia, New York, Liverpool, Nov. 6. Virginia, New York, Hamburg, Nov. 6.

ARRIVED YESTERDAY. Steamer D. Daley, New York, via New York, with 200 passengers, 24 hours from New York.

MEMORANDA. Ship Westmoreland, Latourna, hence, at the South-west 20th inst. Steamer Whirlwind, Sherman, hence, at Providence 20th inst.

FOR SALE. RAILROAD FORECLOSURE SALE.—The undersigned trustee, and as Special Master of the Circuit Court of the United States in and for the Southern District of Ohio, in the case of Charles Moran, Trustee, against the Cincinnati and Zanesville Railroad Company, pending in said Court in Chancery, by authority of the decree rendered in said cause at the October term hereof, A. D. 1891, do hereby give notice that the property of said Company, consisting of a certain tract of land, bounded by the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. of said day, at the door of the Court House of said Court, in the city of Cincinnati, Ohio, offer and expose to sale by public vendue, to the highest bidder, on confirmation of said sale by said Court, but not for less than the minimum sum fixed by said Court, namely one million three thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight dollars (\$1,368,968).

THE PRINCIPAL DEPOT FOR THE SALE OF REVENUE STAMPS.

REVENUE STAMPS. CENTRAL OFFICE, No. 105 S. FIFTH STREET. (Two doors below Chesnut street).

ESTABLISHED 1862. The sale of Revenue Stamps is still continued at the Old-established Agency.

NOTICE.—INTERNAL REVENUE. The undersigned will sell at public sale, on THURSDAY, November 11, 1892, at 10 o'clock A. M., at No. 325 CHESTNUT STREET, the following distillery apparatus and appurtenances, viz:—One Steam Engine and Boilers, Mash Tubs, Coppers, Pumps, Platform Scales, etc.

WANTED.—AGENTS, TEACHERS, Students, Clergymen, Farmers' Sons and daughters, all to sell BEFORE THE FOOTLIGHTS AND BEHIND THE SCENES.

BY OLIVE LOGAN, The Great Reformer of the Stage, who, having abandoned stage life, now exhibits in vivid form the whole show world BEFORE AND BEHIND THE SCENES. Being Truthful, Moral, and High-toned, as well as Sensational, Rich, and Easy, and containing other books. Beautifully illustrated with 40 spirited engravings, 24 full-page cuts, 650 pages, on rose-tinted paper, greatest inducement ever offered. For circular, explanation, and address, apply to W. M. HAIRD & CO., Publishers, either at Philadelphia, Pa., Cincinnati, Ohio, or Middletown, Conn. 10 25 catalog

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SHIPPING.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND LONDON.—The steamship "Hesperus" is appointed to sail at 10 o'clock on Saturday, Nov. 5, at P. M. City of Philadelphia, via Halifax, Tuesday, Nov. 9, at P. M. City of Philadelphia, via Halifax, Tuesday, Nov. 9, at P. M.

PRICES OF PASSAGE. TO BREAST OR HAVRE. First Cabin, \$10. Second Cabin, \$8. (Including railway tickets, furnished on board.)

TO PARIS. (Including railway tickets, furnished on board.) First Cabin, \$12. Second Cabin, \$10. Medical attendance free of charge.

AMERICAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. The steamship "Prometheus," Captain Gray, and the steamship "Prometheus" will sail on THURSDAY, November 4, at 4 P. M.

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